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## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION VIII

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Ref: 8HWM-FF

Mr. Robert M. Nelson, Jr., Manager Department of Energy Rocky Flats Office P.O. Box 928 Golden, CO 80402-0928

RE: Restart of 881 Hillside IM/IRA Construction

Dear Mr. Nelson:

This letter serves as notice from EPA of conditional approval for restart of construction activities relating to the Interim Measure/Interim Remedial Action (IM/IRA) approved for 881 Hillside, Operable Unit 1 (OU 1). After review of the documentation provided to EPA and meeting with members of DOE and EG&G staff to discuss the internal changes made to address concerns expressed during March 23 and March 26, 1990 site inspections, EPA believes that construction activities related to the 881 Hillside IM/IRA can proceed upon satisfactorily meeting the below defined conditions.

This approval is contingent upon DOE incorporating the enclosed comments into its internal procedures pertinent to this activity and addressing the enclosed comments to the satisfaction of EPA. If revision of documents is required DOE must submit these revisions to EPA with a summary of changes to the documents attached. This approval is also contingent upon DOE providing the relevant revised documentation to the public, briefing the interested public groups or organizations prior to restart of construction activities and considering the community's concerns. This approval is also contingent upon DOE providing EPA with 48 hours notice prior to restart of construction activities relating to 881 Hillside IM/IRA.

If you should have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Martin Hestmark of my staff, at (303) 294-1132.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Duprey, Director Hazardous Waste Management Division

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